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Docket No.: 021756-005300US  
Oracle Ref. No.: OID-2003-319-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Puri et al.

Application No.: 10/731,623

Filed: December 8, 2003

For: METHOD OF AND SYSTEM  
FOR DETERMINING IF AN  
ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE IS  
NECESSARY IN ORDER TO  
COMMIT A TRANSACTION TO A  
DATABASE

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 2131

**REQUEST TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.48 (a)(1)**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request *Correction of Inventorship* by addition of the following inventor:

**Name: William Stearns**  
**Citizenship: United States of America**  
**Mailing Address: 8 Ledgewood Road,**  
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The inventor William Stearns was accidentally left off the list of inventors when the above-referenced application was filed with the USPTO. This error occurred accidentally and without deceptive intent.

Submitted with this request are the following:

(1) A statement by inventor William Stearns that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intent;

(2) A declaration executed by P. Srinivasulu, R. Akella, S. Durgada, M. Fisher, H. Saleeb, M. Gupta, and W. Stearns;

(3) Written consent from the assignee, Oracle International Corporation, including a copy of the executed assignment for recording to establish ownership of the above-referenced application; and

(4) The processing fee.

Please charge the 37 CFR §1.17(i) Processing Fee of \$130 to deposit account 20-1430. This Request is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,



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**INVENTOR STATEMENT OF  
WILLIAM STEARNS UNDER 37 CFR  
1.48 (a)(2)**

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Sir:

I understand that I am being added as an inventor to the above-referenced patent application. The error in omitting me as an inventor occurred without any deceptive intent on my part.

Respectfully submitted,

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